

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary is a frightening and un-democratic example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves without charge, and is obliged by law to serve the public interest, not force the spread of biased, un-balanced propaganda. When large companies control the airwaves, ordinary Americans are not served--we're fed that which will protect large companies interests rather than what serves the people of this great nation. Good government requires an active media--not one wholly controlled by large-scale corporate interests.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard.

I urge you to act in good conscience and take appropriate action against Sinclair.